

Newcomers Video Briefing

Hello, I am here to talk with you today about **Education**

Services available for Soldiers, family members, and Army civilians at the Fort Irwin Army Education Center.

Counselors are available to help Soldiers in establishing enrollment in the GoArmyEd portal in order to use their annual Active Duty **Tuition Assistance** of \$4500.

If you are looking for career guidance, Interest Inventories are available to assist in developing your **educational goals**.

For questions about **Veterans Benefits**, Education counselors can assist you in learning about benefits, the application process, or the transferability of these benefits.

If Soldiers need to prepare for college or improve their General Technical (GT) score, we offer a **Basic Skills Education Program (BSEP)** at the Education Center. This 3 week class is

offered on a monthly basis at Fort Irwin and is open to family members on a space available basis. The class covers Arithmetic Reasoning, Vocabulary, and Paragraph Comprehension. These are the areas on your Armed Forces Classification Test (AFCT) that contribute to **GT improvement**. Command approval is required for attendance, so visit the Education Center for an enrollment form.

Army Personnel tests, such as the AFCT, the Defense Language Proficiency Test or DLPT, and the Army Flight Aptitude Selection Test or AFAST, can be scheduled by contacting the test administrator.

We also offer a full range of **testing services**, to include proctoring for college exams, SAT and ACT administration, and other diagnostic and certification tests.

A **computer lab** with internet and printer capabilities is available at the Education Center for your convenience during operating hours.

Along with information on a variety of online college programs, Fort Irwin has two **on post colleges**:

Barstow Community College offers a number of Certificates and Associate Degrees in both Arts and Sciences. Many Soldiers and Family Members qualify for a California grant, called a BOGG waiver, which will pay for tuition while they are attending Barstow Community College. Stop by their offices on post to see if you qualify. The college is also a **National Testing Center** and administers certification exams and academic based CLEP and DSST tests. Successful completion of these tests can help you accelerate your college career.

Park University offers Bachelor Programs in Social Psychology, Management and Criminal Justice. Representatives are located at the Education Center.

It has been my pleasure to give you a brief overview of the services we provide. Please feel free to contact us with your questions and concerns. I hope you will stop by the Education Center to start your educational journey once you arrive.

Items to add in the background:

Education Center located in Building 1020, corner of 3rd & F Streets

Contact Number for Education Center: 760 380 4218

Contact Number for Testing: 760 380 4442